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SUBJECT: PLANNED TREASURY/CONGRESSIONAL TRIP TO VISIT
WORLD BANK GROUP AND ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK FINANCED
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

1. SUMMARY: THIS MESSAGE WILL ALERT POSTS AND ELICIT
COMMENT ON TREASURY PLANS BEING MADE FOR TEN-DAY TRIP
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EARLY JANUARY WHICH WILL INCLUDE CONGRESSIONAL OBSERVERS

TO VISIT DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN AFGHANISTAN, PAKISTAN, INDIA AND GREECE WHICH HAVE BEEN FINANCED BY WORLD BANK GROUP (IBRD, IDA, IFC) AND/OR ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK. GROUP WILL TOTAL ABOUT THIRTY-FIVE AND WILL BE LED BY DEPUTY SECRETARY TREASURY GARDNER. END SUMMARY.

2. WITH INTERNATIONAL LENDING INSTITUTIONS PLAYING AN INCREASING PART IN CHANNELING ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND IN VIEW LARGE AMOUNTS FUNDING BEING REQUESTED FROM CONGRESS THIS TRIP IS ONE PART OF BROADER EFFORT BY TREASURY OFFICIALS TO INCREASE EXECUTIVE BRANCH DIRECT KNOWLEDGE AND THAT OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS OF LOAN PROGRAMS OF INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (IFIS). TRIP THUS IS PART OF OVER-ALL CONSULTATIVE PROCESS WITH CONGRESS.

3. TRIP WILL BE MADE IN AIR FORCE PLANE AND PARTY WILL TOTAL AROUND 35. WILL INCLUDE SENATORS, MEMBERS OF HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, HOUSE BANKING AND CURRENCY COMMITTEE, AND STAFF MEMBERS. SOME WIVES TO ACCOMPANY. TREASURY OFFICIALS TENTATIVELY WILL INCLUDE DEPUTY SECRETARY STEPHEN S. GARDNER AND MRS. GARDNER; ASSISTANT SECRETARY LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS FREDERICK L. WEBBER AND MRS. WEBBER; DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY (LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS) JAMES H. HOGUE; DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY (DEVELOPING NATIONS FINANCE) JOHN A. BUSHNELL; INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR INTERNATIONAL FINANCE RALPH HIRSCHTRITT; MATTHEW HENNESSY (ASSISTANT TO DEPUTY SECRETARY); AND EMERSON DAVIS (ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER). FURTHER DETAILS ON CONGRESSIONAL COMPONENT WILL FOLLOW.

4. TENTATIVE ITINERARY: LV ANDREWS AFB THURSDAY, JANUARY 2 WITH TWO DAY STOPS IN KABUL, ISLAMABAD AND THREE DAYS NEW DELHI WITH STOPOVERS ROME ENROUTE TO KABUL AND ATHENS ON RETURN TO WASHINGTON JANUARY 13.

5. PLAN TO VISIT APPROXIMATELY THREE PROJECTS (INCLUDING POSSIBLE IFC PROJECTS) PER COUNTRY. WE ARE IN PROCESS SELECTING CANDIDATE PROJECTS IN VARIOUS SECTORS WHICH HAVE BEEN COMPLETED OR ARE IN ADVANCED STAGE OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONSTRUCTION. WILL INFORM POSTS RESULTS SELECTION PROJECTS ON WHICH COMMENTS WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

6. REQUEST ALL ADDRESSEES EXCEPT MADRID RECOMMEND HOTEL FOR ACCOMMODATION PARTY DURING STAY AT POST. ALSO RECOMMEND THAT PARTY TRAVEL AS UNIT BY BUS WHENEVER POSSIBLE DURING VISITS. ALTHOUGH EMBASSY SHOULD BE PREPARED ARRANGE FOR CARS FOR LOCAL MEETINGS OF GROUP,

AS NECESSARY. DESIRE THAT PROJECT VISITS TAKE PRIORITY OVER BRIEFINGS AND SOCIAL EVENTS. POST REQUESTED SEEK GROUP WAIVER FOR VISAS AND ADVISE IF ANY DIFFICULTIES ARISE IN THIS REGARD.

7. WILL SEND FOLLOW UP CABLES TO EACH POST WITHIN NEXT SEVERAL DAYS AS SPECIFIC PLANS BECOME FIRM ON CONGRESSIONAL COMPONENT; PROPOSED PROJECTS FOR VISITS, MEETINGS DESIRED, IF ANY, WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, AND ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS.

8. INITIAL REPLIES SHOULD DESIGNATE CONTROL OFFICERS. PLEASE SLUG CABLE RESPONSES FOR ZINMAN (TREASURY) AND CROWE (STATE).

9. FOR KABUL: REALIZING THIS VISIT POTENTIALLY OVERLAPS WITH NOOTER'S VISIT, WE WILL BE SENDING YOU OUR THOUGHTS

ON POSSIBLE DEFERRAL HIS VISIT TO SOMEWHAT LATER DATE IN JANUARY. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR REACTION FOLLOWING RECEIPT SEPTEL THIS SUBJECT. KISSINGER

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